



Transportation Funding

MTA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS DEPARTMENT

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

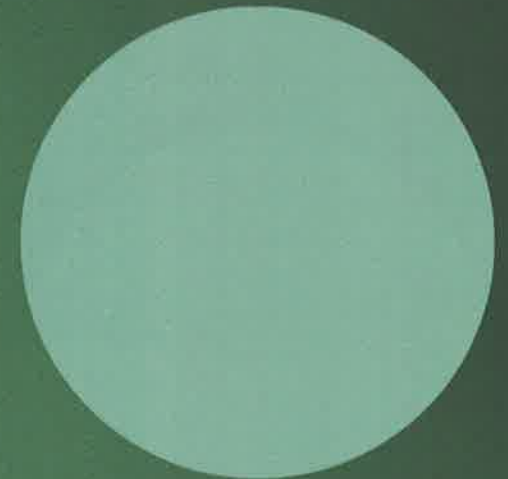
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- ▶ Townships have a strong interest in the condition of our roads and bridges
- ▶ Latest census numbers show twps. spend \$186 million annually for roads when have no statutory responsibility
 - ▶ Includes millages, general fund, and special assessments
 - ▶ \$30 million more than 2007 figure (\$153 million)
- ▶ 2014 August Primary Election
 - ▶ 159 local road millage requests
 - ▶ 138 township requests (93 percent success rate)
 - ▶ Overall, 146 passed (92 percent success rate)

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- ▶ 2014 November General Election
 - ▶ 75 local road millage requests
 - ▶ 53 township requests (77 percent success rate)
 - ▶ Overall, 60 passed (80 percent success rate)
- ▶ 2015 February Election
 - ▶ 3 local road millage requests
 - ▶ 2 township requests (50 percent success rate)
 - ▶ Overall, 1 passed (33 percent success rate)



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- ▶ January 30, 2015 - members voted unanimously to support additional funding for our growing transportation needs
- ▶ Early February, MTA formally endorsed the May 5 ballot proposal
 - ▶ Provides \$1.3 billion for roads
 - ▶ Keeps local units of government and schools whole
- ▶ Best interest of townships and the state as a whole
- ▶ Quality roads are critical for Michigan's economic prosperity and the safety of our residents
- ▶ Passage of Proposal 1 would ensure the reforms passed by the Legislature will go into effect

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- ▶ PA 472 of 2012 (HB 4251) Competitive bidding on local road projects
 - ▶ Optional if townships contribute 50 percent or more of cost
 - ▶ Require road commission to use responsive and reasonable best value bidder process
 - ▶ Apply in certain circumstances
 - ▶ Road commission would have to submit bids to township within 15 days
 - ▶ Determine those bids qualified and non-qualified
 - ▶ Notify township board 30 days in advance of awarding contract
 - ▶ Takes effect Feb. 1, 2016 if proposal passes

QUESTIONS

